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Please cancel claims 1 and 14-16 without prejudice.

Please amend claims 2, 3, 6, 7-9, 11 17-18 and 20-21

as follows:

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Bx 2. (Twice Amended) The container according to claim 22, wherein areas of the projection adjacent to the sealing web are provided which are formed walls extending perpendicularly to the sealing web, the vertical extension of the walls adjacent to the sealing web being smaller than the total vertical extension.

3. (Twice Amended) The container according to claim 22, wherein the projection is spaced radially apart from the sealing web located on the inside of the container.

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Bx 6. (Twice Amended) The container according to claim 22, wherein an area of the projection integrally moulded on the sealing web is spaced apart from an area of the sealing web that provides the greatest sealing effect.

7. (Twice Amended) The container according to claim 22, wherein the sealing region of the sealing web is along at least a portion of the vertical height of the projection.

8. (Twice Amended) The container according to claim 22, wherein the at least one projection is integrally moulded on the lid at a height of a top side of an area extending radially inwards from the sealing web and sloping down towards the inside of the container.

9. (Twice Amended) The container according to claim 22, wherein an additional circumferential sealing region is provided wherein areas of the projection of the lid integrally moulded on the sealing web and extending radially inward are spaced vertically apart from the additional sealing region.

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11. (Twice Amended) The container according to claim 22, wherein an indentation is formed in the inside wall of the container below the sealing web, on which a lower, free end of the sealing web can rest.

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17. (Twice Amended) The container according to claim 22, wherein a further sealing region between a top edge of the container and the lid is provided with a circumferential seal made of a material of greater elasticity than that of the container and the lid.

18. (Twice Amended) The container according to Claim 22, wherein the container has a main axis and that an

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area which slopes down towards the inside wall of the container and is at an acute angle to the main axis of the container is provided radially inward on the top edge of a container.

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20. (Twice Amended) The container according to Claim 22, wherein at least one contact surface for lateral contact with the lid, which projects radially outward, is integrally moulded on the area adjacent to a top edge of the container on the outside.

21. (Twice Amended) The container according to Claim 22, wherein the outside of the upper region of the container has a downward-facing circumferential collar region, which is joined in the region of a top edge of the container.

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Please add the following new claims 22-26:

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22. (New) A plastic container with a snap lid, the container having an upper edge region, an inside and an outer snap edge provided on the upper edge region of the container for the lid to snap onto, the lid having a circumferential sealing web projecting downwards that contacts the inside of the container providing a sealing region, at least one projection extending in an essentially radial and essentially vertical direction provided on the lid radially inside the sealing web, wherein a vertical extension of an area of the

projection adjacent to the sealing web is smaller than a total vertical extension of the projection, wherein

- the sealing region of the sealing web on the inside of the container is at level with the outer snap edge or

- at least one radially outward projecting reinforcing rib is integrally molded on the container edge in a region of a top edge of the container and the sealing region of the sealing web and the reinforcing rib is at level or roughly level with the outer reinforcing rib of the container.

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23. (New) A plastic container with a snap lid, the container having an upper edge region, an inside and an outer snap edge provided on the upper edge region of the container for the lid to snap onto, the lid having a circumferential sealing web projecting downwards that contacts the inside of the container providing a sealing region, at least one projection extending in an essentially radial and essentially vertical direction provided on the lid radially inside the sealing web, wherein a vertical extension of an area of the projection adjacent to the sealing web is smaller than a total vertical extension of the projection, wherein the projection is spaced radially apart from the sealing web,

wherein the projection is located on an inside circumferential edge integrally moulded on the sealing web and

extends radially inward from the circumferential edge, and wherein

- a sealing region of the sealing web on the inside of the container is at level or roughly level with the outer snap edge or

- at least one radially outward protruding reinforcing rib is integrally molded on the container edge in the region of a top edge of the container and the sealing region of the sealing web and the reinforcing rib is at level or roughly level with the outer reinforcing rib of the container.

24. (New) A plastic container with a snap lid, the container having an upper edge region, an inside and an outer snap edge provided on the upper edge region of the container for the lid to snap onto, the lid having a circumferential sealing web projecting downwards that contacts the inside of the container providing a sealing region, at least one projection extending in an essentially radial and essentially vertical direction provided on the lid radially inside the sealing web, wherein a vertical extension of an area of the projection adjacent to the sealing web is smaller than a total vertical extension of the projection,

wherein the projection is spaced radially apart from the sealing web,

wherein the projection is located on an inside circumferential edge integrally moulded on the sealing web and extends radially onward from the circumferential edge, and

wherein the outside of the upper region of the container has a radially outward projecting, at least substantially vertical downward-facing circumferential collar region, which is joined in the region of the top edge of the container, the snap edge is molded spaced from an upper end and from an lower end of the collar region at the at least substantially vertical downward-facing circumferential collar region and the snap edge is arranged at level of the projection.

25. (New) A plastic container with a snap lid, the container having an upper edge region, an inside and an outer snap edge provided on the upper edge region of the container for the lid to snap onto, the lid having a circumferential sealing web projecting downwards that contacts the inside of the container providing a sealing region, at least one projection extending in an essentially radial and essentially vertical direction provided on the lid radially inside the sealing web, wherein a vertical extension of an area of the projection adjacent to the sealing web is smaller than a total vertical extension of the projection,

wherein the projection is spaced radially apart from the sealing web, wherein

- a sealing region of the sealing web on the inside of the container is at level or roughly level with the outer snap edge, or

- at least one radially outward protruding reinforcing rib is integrally molded on the container edge in the region of a top edge of the container and the sealing region of the sealing web and the reinforcing rib is at level or roughly level with the outer reinforcing rib of the container, or

- the outside of the upper region of the container has a radially outward projection, at least substantially vertical downward-facing circumferential collar region, which is joined in the region of the top edge of the container, the snap edge is moulded spaced from an upper end and from an lower end of the collar region at the at least substantially vertical downward-facing circumferential collar region and the snap edge is arranged at level of the projection,

and therein the snap edge or the reinforcing rip is arranged vertically below the area of the projection adjacent to the sealing web, or

vertically below an inside circumferential edge integrally moulded on the sealing web and extending radially inward from the circumferential edge, at which the projection is located on.

26. (New) A plastic container with a snap lid, the container having an upper edge region, an inside and an outer snap edge provided on the upper edge region of the container for the lid to snap onto, the lid having a circumferential sealing web projecting downwards that contacts the inside of the container providing a sealing region, at least one projection extending in an essentially radial and essentially vertical direction provided on the lid radially inside the sealing web, wherein, a vertical extension of an area of the projection adjacent to the sealing web is smaller than a total vertical extension of the projection,

wherein the outside of the upper region of the container has a radially outward projecting, at least substantially vertical downward-facing circumferential collar region, which is joined in the region of the top edge of the container, the snap edge is molded at the at least substantially vertically downward-facing collar region,

wherein at least one radially projecting reinforcing rib is integrally molded on the at least substantially vertically downward-facing collar region or between the snap edge and a top edge of the container, and wherein

- a sealing region of the sealing web on the inside of the container is at level or roughly level with the outer snap edge, or

- at least one radially outward projecting reinforcing rib being integrally molded on the container edge